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Docket No.: VLSI-2759

**Transmittal of a Response  
to a Restriction Requirement**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Inventor(s): Drill et al.

Serial No.: 08/824,633

Group Art Unit: 1765

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Examiner: Deo, D.

Title: A CUSTOMIZED POLISHING PAD FOR SELECTIVE PROCESS  
PERFORMANCE DURING CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHINGThe Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Sir:**Transmittal of a Response to an Office Action (Restriction Requirement)**  
(Under 37 CFR §1.115)

☒ Transmitted herewith is a response to an Restriction Requirement for the above identified patent application.

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Transmitted herewith are sheets of substitute formal drawings.

Other:

Fee Calculation (for other than a small entity)					
Fee Items	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number of Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra Claims	Fee Rate	Total
Total Claims	17	- 20 =	0	x \$22.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =	0	x \$82.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee (one or more, first added by this amendment)					\$0.00
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action mailed October 27, 1998, the Examiner has stated that the present Application contains two distinct inventions related as a process of making and a product made. As such, the Examiner has required Applicants to elect a single invention for prosecution on the merits. Specifically, the Examiner has required Applicants to elect between a first invention, Group I, recited in Claims 1-17, drawn to a product classified in class 156, subclass 345, and a second invention, Group II, recited in Claims 18-19, drawn to a method, classified in class 438, subclass 692.

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ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE BETWEEN  
GROUP I AND GROUP II

Applicants elect without traverse Group I, recited in Claims 1-17, drawn to  
a product, classified in class 156, subclass 345.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative  
if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present  
Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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